

Waste Water

Ordinance No. _____

An ordinance of amending Section IV of Ordinance 76-2, an ordinance providing for the regulation of waste disposal systems in Wasatch County and water supply and storage.

Be it ordained by the Board of County Commissioners of Wasatch County, State of Utah:

Section IV.

- A. Wastewater holding tanks will not be permitted for use in private dwellings, subdivisions, summer homes, or commercial developments.
- B. Wastewater holding tanks are permitted only under the following conditons:
 - 1. To temporarily solve wastewater disposal problems for existing buildings where conventional methods of sewage disposal have failed and installation of a replacement subsurface absorbtion system is not practical.
 - * 2. To temporarily solve wastewater disposal problems where conventional methods of sewage disposal cannot be met and where wastewater that is generated by employees from services provided to the public must be contained.
- C. Wastewater holding tanks when approved must meet design and storage requirements which includes but is not necessarily limited to:
 - 1. Written agreement that the premises served by the holding tank may be inspected by the health authority at any reasonable time to determine proper functionability of the tank.
 - 2. Tank construction shall include as a minimum:
 - a. Construction material shall be of concrete or other material approved by the health authority.
 - b. The tank capacity must be large enough to hold a minimum of (7) seven days sewage flow or 1,000 gallons, whichever is larger.
 - c. The tank must be water-tight. Watertightness of the tank must be conducted under the supervision of the health authority consisting of complete filling of the tank for an observation period of at least 24 hours. Longer observation periods may be conducted as warranted.

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- d. A written statement from the tank manufacturer guaranteeing structural stability and durability must be provided.
 - e. A high water warning device shall be installed on each tank to indicate when it is 75% full. This device shall be either audible or visual.
 - f. The tank shall be installed with maximum liquid level elevation at least one foot above the overflow rim of the lowest plumbing fixture in the drain of the building it serves. No outlet shall be placed below that elevation.
 - g. Access to the tank must be provided by a manhole (18 inches minimum) or a removable tamper-proof cover not less than 6 inches in diameter which extends above the ground surface.
 - h. No overflow, vent or other opening shall be provided in the tank.
3. Wastewater holding tanks must be located where it will not create a nuisance in the event of accidental spillage during pumping.
4. The tank shall be located a minimum of 100 feet from any stream, lake, or watercourse.
- D. Operation and maintenance of holding tanks must meet the following requirements:
- 1. Wastewater holding tanks shall be pumped at regular intervals as needed by a septic tank cleaning service licensed by Wasatch County.
 - 2. Holding tanks should be pumped before each winter season.
 - 3. A record of pumping dates, amount pumped, and name of the licensed septic tank cleaner shall be maintained by the owner and made available to the health department upon request.
 - 4. Alteration of any holding tank shall not be made without approval of the health officer.
- E. An annual fee for inspection of holding tanks may be imposed by the Wasatch County Health Department in such amounts as established from time to time by resolution duly enacted by the Board of Health.

- F. Wastewater holding tanks shall not be installed until plans and specifications covering the proposed installation have been approved and a permit issued by the health officer.
- G. When a conventional system becomes available and the unavoidable need for the holding tank no longer exists, then anyone who has been granted the right or privilege of installing a holding tank, their successors, or assigns shall be required to replace the holding tank with a conventional system meeting the specifications of the State Board of Health and the Wasatch County Board of Health. Continuous use of the holding tank thereafter shall constitute a violation of these regulations.

Passed by the Board of County Commissioners, Wasatch County, State of Utah, this _____ day of November, 1981.

Board of County Commissioners
Wasatch County, State of Utah

George Holmes, Chairman